FEBRUARY MESSAGE FROM THE BLACK SHEEP SENIOR SQUADRON COMMANDER

As mentioned last month we are no longer using the Wright Room at the tower of Centennial Airport. Since we are not the only organization that used the facility in the past, they have set up 30 seats in the lobby. On the 2nd meeting of January we met in the lobby and it seemed to work out well. The general consensus, of the membership that was present, was to continue meeting there. It was convenient for the members that had a problem getting to the meeting on time due to the snow since we were able to let them in. We tried it again on the 2nd of February and it worked out ok. I will thank **Col Robby Robinson** for letting us use the Department of Military Affairs auditorium during November and December. We will retain that option in case the tower gate becomes a problem.

Col Cortum put out a message that there has been a chain of command problem when submitting forms to wing. In the future, if a form needs the squadron commander's or the group commander's signature it must go through those channels. He also mentioned that wing will no longer accept outdated forms. Prior to sending a form to wing ensure that you check out the national or wing publication list to ensure that you have the correct form. I would also appreciate a copy of any form or report forwarded to wing or national. I need to know if the form was submitted on time. On the web site, under the specific staff positions, I have put the reports due dates. I think I have them all, but if you see that I have missed one let me know.

STAFF

Our Public Affairs Officer position has been filled by **2Lt Stan Losiewicz** who volunteered to take on a badly needed position. I hope that the membership will support him as much as possible. There are a couple of COWG Forms on the COWG Web Site to help with public affairs inputs. COWGF 190b is a form that is filled out by individual members to submit an activity that relates to the squadron that they were involved with. It should include a narrative and pictures if available and sent to the squadron PAO. COWGF 190a is used to compile all squadron activities to be sent to wing. Once again, let us let others know that the Black Sheep Senior Squadron is alive and well.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

We had a number of our members attend the Corporate Learning Course (CLC) in January. This is one step toward Major for some of our members. The attendees were: Captain Gary Hubbard, Captain Robert York, 2Lt Tim O'Brien, and 2Lt Chris O'Shell.

OPS/ES

After a little confusion with the Group 2 SAREX we were able to get our members involved. The members that attended the mission and completed their SQTRs were: Captain Henry Eng, Captain Pete Krueger, 1Lt Roger Carlyle, 1Lt Paul Mallon, 2Lt Mark Patton, 2Lt Stan Losiewicz, 2Lt Tim O'Brien, and 2Lt Chris O'Shell.

PROMOTIONS/AWARDS

In January, we were able to promote **1LT Daniel Kawamoto** to Captain and **SM Christopher O'Shell** to 2Lt.

TRAINING

Col Jim Cooksey is planning to set up a level 1 class for our new member **SM Tyler Macmillan**, and **SM Craig Thighe**. He will be in contact with you when he gets it all set up.

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